

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

if known #8
422 JDS.
JUN 11 2002
PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE
SDavis
3/19/03
58

[illegible][illegible]

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Unique citation designation number. ² See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U. S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. **DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO:** Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box → +

PTO/SB/08B (08-00)
Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031
Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

<div style="float: left; width: 45%;"><p>Substitute for form 1449B/PTO</p><h2 style="text-align: center;">INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</h2><p style="text-align: center;">(use as many sheets as necessary)</p></div> <div style="float: right; width: 55%; text-align: right;"><p>Complete if Known</p><table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"><tr><td style="width: 50%;">Application Number</td><td>10,069,422</td></tr><tr><td>Filing Date</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>First Named Inventor</td><td>Mills</td></tr><tr><td>Group Art Unit</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Examiner Name</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Attorney Docket Number</td><td>537-1068</td></tr></table></div>				Application Number	10,069,422	Filing Date		First Named Inventor	Mills	Group Art Unit		Examiner Name		Attorney Docket Number	537-1068
Application Number	10,069,422														
Filing Date															
First Named Inventor	Mills														
Group Art Unit															
Examiner Name															
Attorney Docket Number	537-1068														
Sheet	2	of	2												

PTO

JUN 11 2002

PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

OTHER PRIOR ART -- NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials ¹	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²
		Noordgraaf, "Conformal Coating Using Parylene Polyoners", Medical Device Technology, 1/2 1997	
		Biederman, "The Properties of Fluorocarbon Films Prepared By...", Thin Solid Films, vol. 41, 1977, pp 329 - 339	
		Butler, "Properties of micrometer-thick plasma-polymerized...", J. Appl. Phys, vol 70, No. 4, August 15, 1991, pp 2326 - 2332	
		British Search Report - Application No. 99196883	

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
--------------------	--	-----------------	--

¹EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Unique citation designation number. ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U. S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.